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REPLY TO
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MEMORANDUM FOR SEE DISTRIBUTION

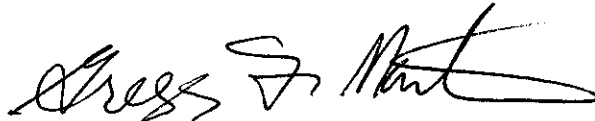
SUBJECT: 130th Engineer Brigade Policy Letter # 10 – Reenlistment Education Incentive Program

1. **PURPOSE:** To provide qualified initial term and mid-career soldiers an opportunity to enhance their civilian education while serving in the Army.
2. This is a local reenlistment incentive to enhance unit readiness and cohesiveness, by keeping proven performers and providing them an opportunity for personal and professional growth.
3. Program participants must:
 - a. Meet the basic qualifications for reenlistment without a waiver for the Current Station Stabilization Reenlistment Option.
 - b. Visit their Army Education Center for counseling and initiate an application for a Servicemember's Opportunity College Army Degrees agreement or program of courses (degree plan).
 - c. Enroll for at least 12, but not more than 15, semester hours if enrolled in a on-post program. This would include two eight-week, on-post terms, including the registration period. Schools must be regionally accredited and approved by the Army Education Center and be within a 40-mile radius of their kaserne or home station.
 - d. Complete the program within one year of reenlistment.
4. Participants will:
 - a. Be authorized tuition assistant (TA) if they attend school in an "off-duty" status and meet all other qualifying criteria. If they elect to attend classes off-post from a school with tuition rates higher than is available on-post, the TA will be paid at the on-post rate.
 - b. Be allowed to use veterans' educational benefits or apply for a federal Pell Grant.
 - c. Be responsible for all other expenses incidental to schooling, such as textbooks and supplies.

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- d. Be assigned a modified duty schedule in order to attend college or vocational/technical courses.
 - e. Not be authorized to ration separately based on this program alone.
 - f. Not be evaluated as students by unit personnel.
5. Participants may be returned to their unit:
- a. In the event of an actual deployment. Those affected will be rescheduled for completion of their program.
 - b. Because of disciplinary action, unsatisfactory academic performance, or failure to attend class.
6. Commanders have the authority and discretion, subject to military necessity and limitations imposed by superior commanders or by regulation (e.g., AR 630-5), to specify periods of duty for soldiers. Time outside the specified periods of duty constitutes an off-duty period within the meaning of 10 United States Code 2007 for the soldier concerned, even if the off-duty period occurs during hours generally considered to be normal duty hours in the command/installation concerned. In other words, the commander will determine when a soldier is on or off-duty for the purpose of this program. For example, a soldier could be on-duty from 0630-0730 for PT, if APFT score is less than 240, then will be off-duty from 0730-1630 for purpose of attending classes.
7. Nonavailability of desired courses or the termination of studies, whether voluntary or involuntary, will not affect the military service obligation the soldier incurred in the reenlistment contract. Again, this is a local reenlistment incentive and will not be entered on official reenlistment documents.
8. Point of contact is MSG Gregory at DSN 322-9018.
9. SAPPERS IN!



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